

Franklin Got Its Face Washed With Hoses And Brushes



ONLY A SMALL number turned out Wednesday of last week to give Franklin's Main Street a scrubbing as a feature of the current clean up campaign. With firemen playing

water from hoses, Mrs. Jean Terape (left) and Mrs. Margaret Bulgin, who supervised the project, get some help from a volunteer Franklin High student.

'Quickie' Parking Is Gone

"Quickie" parking on Franklin's Main Street has ended with the installation of new one-hour meters that reject all coins but nickles.

The old two-hour meters, which would give 12 minutes of parking for a penny, are being installed at other points over town, according to Police Chief C. D. Baird.

The officer said the one-hour meters were put in to comply with "a state law" dealing with parking along the main streets of towns.

About 50 meters were changed, he said, from Angel's Drug Store to the post office on both sides of the street. The short-time meters in front of the post office were not changed.

Voters Turning Out In Towns Tuesday

Tuesday will be "votin' day" in Franklin and Highlands.

Although both towns sport fairly heavy slates of candidates, politicking is at low ebb on the surface.

Franklin voters will be handed two ballots, instead of the customary one. One is the official ballot for selecting a mayor and six aldermen. The other is an unofficial "advisory

ballot" designed to sample public reaction to one-way streets.

Polls in both towns will open at 6:30 a. m. and close at 6:30 p. m.

Franklin voters will mark ballots at the town hall. Highlands residents will use the old school building.

A total of 961 Franklin residents are registered for the election here, according to Charles O. Ramsey, town clerk. He added that about 50 who are eligible did not register.

Must Vote To Fill All Offices Or Ballot Is Void

Voters in next Tuesday's town elections in Franklin and Highlands must vote for as many candidates as there are offices to be filled. Otherwise, under the law, their ballots will not be counted.

That is provided by a little-known act enacted in 1955. The law is applicable to county and town elections in Macon and a few other counties, according to R. S. Jones, Macon County and Town of Franklin attorney.

Two men are in the mayor's race in Franklin, Mayor W. C. Burrell, who will be seeking his third two-year term, and W. W. Reeves, a former alderman. Mayor Burrell actually is now ending five years as the town's chief, since he was named to fill out the unexpired term of the late Robert M. Dillard.

Incumbent aldermen A. G. Cagle, J. Frank Martin, and J. C. Jacobs all are ending their third two-year terms. Another incumbent seeking reelection, Prelo Dryman, is an appointee and is serving the unexpired two-year term of Oscar Ledford, resigned.

Newcomers to the political scene are William P. Bryant, H. H. Gnuse, Jr., Frank L. Henry, Jr., Sam Higdon, Dr. J. W. Kahn, Dr. G. R. McSwain, Roy Lee Moore, Victor H. Perry, and E. C. Shook.

Non-incumbents are L. C. Billingsley, Maurice Cleaveland, Frank Crane, Gene Houston, A. C. Patterson, Edward Potts, and Curt A. Wilson.

The "advisory ballot" to be handed voters in Franklin on the question of one-way streets says:

"So that the board of aldermen to be elected on May 7, 1957, may know the wishes of the voters in the Town of Franklin as to whether a system of one-way streets should be maintained in the Town of Franklin, please mark this ballot."

Radio WFSC Goes On Air Saturday Noon

Franklin's new daylight radio station, WFSC, goes on the air at noon Saturday.

The opening will include short speeches by a number of guests, including state, county, and local dignitaries, according to the station manager, Ed Healy.

WFSC's spot on the dial is 1050.

Mr. Healy said afternoon announcer Harold Corbin has been busy all week recording selections by high school bands in the seven neighboring counties. These numbers will be aired between talks on the opening program.

Sunday morning at 11, WFSC will broadcast from the Franklin Methodist Church, where the Tennessee Wesleyan College Choir is appearing. This will be the first religious broadcast to be aired by the new station.

Situated in the Nantahala Building, the station's daily hours will be 5:30 a. m. to 7:30 p. m. Sunday hours will be 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.

Ike Olson Gets School Job Here

Clair K. (Ike) Olson, principal of Murphy elementary school, and high school basketball coach and athletic director there for the past eight years, is resigning to come to Franklin.

Here, he will be high school principal, athletic director, and basketball coach. He and Mrs. Olson, the former Miss Hilda Tallent, of Sylva, and their 12-year-old daughter, Marcia Kay, plan to move from Murphy some time in June.

Mr. Olson was hired by the Macon County Board of Education April 19 at the same meeting when the county's principals were rehired.

Erwin Patton, chairman of the board of education, said no announcement was made of Mr. Olson's hiring until an acceptance had been received from him.

Husband-Wife Combination Installed As V.F.W. Post And Auxiliary Heads

The installation last (Wednesday) night of John G. and Anne Murray marked the first time a husband-wife team has commanded the local Veterans of Foreign Wars Post and Auxiliary.

The Murrays were installed in separate ceremonies in the V. F. W. home on Palmer Street. Mrs. Marie Barnard, of Franklin, who is now serving as president of 17th district auxiliaries, installed the new auxiliary officers.

Post officers were administered oaths by C. Jack Ragan, a past commander, who is currently serving as junior district commander.

In addition to Mrs. Murray, the new auxiliary officers include Mrs. Mildred Perry, senior vice-president; Mrs. Katherine Perry, junior vice-presi-

Nantahala Fishing Preserve Would Be Exempted By Bill

Pending legislation would exempt a private fishing preserve on the Nantahala River from the state-wide law which prohibits obstructing the passage of fish anywhere on a public stream.

A bill to this effect, already passed by the Senate and now in House committee, was introduced by Rep. J. S. Stikeleather, of Buncombe County, and co-signed by Sen. Kelly E. Bennett, who represents this district.

The legislation would exempt the Rainbow Springs Corporation, a group of prominent North Carolinians who own fishing lands and a lodge near Rainbow Springs. Don S. Elias, of Asheville, active in North Carolina politics, is president of the corporation. He is a native of Franklin.

Senator Bennett said the bill was introduced at the request of Mr. Elias.

The corporation has five miles of land on either side of Nantahala River from Rainbow Springs toward Nantahala Lake. Actually, the group already has an obstruction in the stream. There have been protests by local fishermen about the iron grating, which was installed in the stream about two years ago.

Under the pending legislation, this obstruction would be given legal sanction. The lodge members also would be free to place other obstructions on the stream.

The Rainbow Springs Corporation is never mentioned by name in the bill. The language of the bill applies to power companies, saying those having land in Nantahala Township shall be free of the provisions of General Statute 113-251. This makes it a misdemeanor to obstruct the passage of fish in a public stream such as Nantahala River.

The corporation, in addition to the land it owns near Rainbow Springs, leases additional tracts from Nantahala Power and Light Company. The bill

would apply to this land.

The Wildlife Resources Commission stocks Nantahala River to a point not far above the private fishing lodge. It also stocks Nantahala Lake, which lies below the fishing lodge.

Members of the lodge have their own fish rearing pools on Moore Creek and stock the section of the river which flows through their property. Senator Bennett told The Press Mr. Elias was interested in seeing a weir put into the river on the lodge property for two reasons:

1. To keep the lodge's privately-stocked fish from going downstream.
 2. To keep "rough fish" from coming upstream from the lake.
- "There's nothing wrong with the bill," said the senator. "It doesn't amount to a hill of beans. It won't hurt public fishing one bit."

Takes No Stand

Clyde P. Patton, director of the Wildlife Resources Commission, was also telephoned about the bill. He knew the contents of the bill and even knew the number given it by the clerk of the Senate, but would not comment on it. He said the commission had taken no stand on it.

As originally drawn, the bill would have let power companies over the whole state trap fish on streams passing through their lands. This was amended to apply only to Nantahala Township, according to Senator Bennett, because "Mr. Houk said he wouldn't go along with it, the wildlife people didn't like it, and it wouldn't pass the Senate."

Beyond setting a precedent which others in the state might seek to follow, local conservationists see two objectionable features to the bill. One is that fish come up the river at spawning time and would be stopped at the obstruction. This would be injurious to the fish, they say.

Secondly, it is said that in hot weather fish come farther down the river, seeking the coolness of greater depths. They could not pass the obstructions erected by the private fishing lodge and would be easy prey for fishermen waiting on the corporation property.

The corporation pays the county taxes on its lodge and approximately 1,900 acres of land. Tax value of the land and lodge is listed at \$21,000.

Dress Revue Set Wednesday

Members of the Cartoogechaye Home Demonstration Club are humming "A Pretty Girl Is Like A Melody" as they prepare to be hosts to the annual county-wide home demonstration-dress revue next Wednesday afternoon, according to the club president, Mrs. J. M. Maddox.

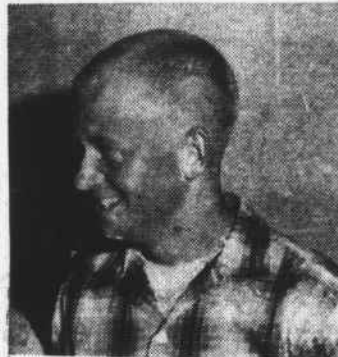
The review is set to begin at 2 o'clock at Cartoogechaye School. The public is invited to attend.

PATTON TO MEET
Patton Rural Community Development Organization will hold its regular monthly meeting Tuesday night at 7:30 p. m.

Kenneth Brown Wins Driving Contest Again

Kenneth Brown, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Brown, of Clark's Chapel community, won the annual "Teen-Age Road-race-o" Wednesday of last week for the third straight year.

This entitles him to represent



Kenneth Brown

Macon County in the state finals at Monroe on June 1-2.

Other contestants were Frank McSwain, second place; Gary McKelvey, third; Scotty Byrd, Horace Hurst, Jim Tysinger, Ronald Harper, Dale Myers, Gilmer Henry, Miss Bonnie Lee, Lamar Mason, Eston Cook, Jack Hyde, Miss Mary R. Henry, Buddy Cloer, Howell Miller, Roy Gregory, James Murray, Jim Parrish, and Miss Rachel Brown.

They Were In The Wide Blue Yonder



Miss Sarah Jean Mallonee, 16, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Mallonee, of Franklin, steps off a U.S. Air Force C-45 after a familiarization ride in the aircraft Friday afternoon at the local airport. Miss Mallonee and other cadets and officers of the Civil Air Patrol were taken up Friday and Saturday in the big twin-engine aircraft. Assisting her from the plane is Dr. W. E. Furr, cadet commandant.

College Choir To Present 2 Concerts Here

Two sacred music concerts are to be presented in Macon County Sunday by the Tennessee Wesleyan College Choir, of Athens, Tenn.

At 11 a. m. the 54-voice choir will appear at the Franklin Methodist Church and 3:30 p. m. at the Highlands Methodist Church.

The director is Jack Houts, brother of the Rev. R. T. Houts, Jr., pastor of the Highlands church.

Now on its annual tour, the choir is filling a capacity schedule before Methodist congregations throughout the Holston Conference, in public schools, and for radio and television audiences.

The public is invited to attend both performances here.

The Weather

The week's temperatures and rainfall below are recorded in Franklin by Maxson Stiles, U. S. weather observer; in Highlands by Tudor N. Hall and W. C. Newton, TVA Laboratory; and at the Coweta Hydrologic Laboratory. Readings are for the 24-hour period ending at 3 a. m. of the day listed.

	High	Low	Rain
FRANKLIN			
Wed., April 24	82	58	.38
Thursday	82	47	.00
Friday	83	47	.00
Saturday	84	47	.00
Sunday	83	50	.00
Monday	80	54	.36
Tuesday	79	55	trace
Wednesday	—	57	.33
HIGHLANDS			
Wed., April 24	73	50	.00
Thursday	72	47	.00
Friday	73	48	.00
Saturday	74	48	.00
Sunday	76	50	.00
Monday	73	48	.00
Tuesday	74	52	trace
Wednesday	—	57	.37
COWETA			
Wed., April 24	82	55	.24
Thursday	81	46	.00
Friday	81	47	.00
Saturday	82	47	.00
Sunday	81	49	.00
Monday	80	48	.15
Tuesday	80	50	trace
Wednesday	—	57	.53